

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes a new Fig. 3. This sheet, which includes Fig. 3 is an addition to the original Figures and shows the steps according to the method of the present invention.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The Office Action mailed November 28, 2005 has been reviewed and carefully considered. Claims 1-13 are pending in this application, with claim 1 being the only independent claim. Reconsideration of the above-identified application, as herein amended and in view of the following remarks, is respectfully requested.

Claim Amendments

Claims 6-10 and 12 are amended to address the 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, issues raised by the Examiner. Claims 6, 7, 9, 10, and 12 are amended to provide proper antecedent basis for all terms. Claim 8 is amended to provide definitions of variables used in the equation cited in claim 8. Support for these limitations is found in the original specification in paragraph [0026]. Paragraph [0020] also provides support for the index of the messages.

Rejection of Claims under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 6-8, 10, and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, for various informalities. As stated above, claims 6-10 and 12 are amended to address these informalities. It is respectfully submitted that the amended claims are now definite. Accordingly, the rejection of claims 6-8, 10, and 12, should now be withdrawn.

Objection to the Drawings

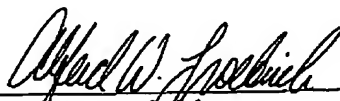
The drawings were objected to as not showing the claimed subject matter. New Fig. 3 is added to show the method steps of the claimed invention. The specification is also amended to reference Fig. 3 in both the Brief Description of the Drawings and in the Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments. In view of the new Fig. 3 and the above amendments, the objection to the drawings should now be withdrawn.

The application is now deemed to be in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

It is believed that no fees or charges are required at this time in connection with the present application. However, if any fees or charges are required at this time, they may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

Respectfully submitted,

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